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AMENDMENT C

Introductory Comments

Sir:

In response to the final Examiner's Action mailed 11/13/2006, having a shortened statutory period for response that expired 02/13/2007 and having an extended statutory period for response set to expire 03/13/2007, the above-identified patent application is amended a third time as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.

**A Request for Continued Examination** is enclosed herewith.